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REMARKS

SOURCE 25X1X

1. From 26 to 30 November 1951, the fire of tank guns was heard daily between 6 a.m. and 2 p.m. from the Werder-Markendorf training area near Jueterbog (N 52/E 69). The construction unit in Camp Werder departed in groups of from 30 to 40 men aboard regular passenger trains during the evening hours of 30 November. A major of the guard detachment stated that a water tower would be built in the camp, that the system of water pipes would be enlarged and that two more main guard houses would be constructed. None of the work projects had been started by 30 November. *
- 25X1B 2. Rocket launchers were seen standing on the loading ramp in Jueterbog on 27 November. A T-34 tank with turret No 706 was seen on a Kumnorsdorf-bound railroad car attached to a freight train on 28 November. Five rocket launchers
- 25X1B were detained at the loading ramp at about 11 a.m.
3. A train which arrived from the direction of Wittenberg at 2:40 p.m. on 30 November consisted of 40 boxcars, each carrying 36 soldiers who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia. T-34/85 tanks Nos 256 and 258 were seen on a freight train which proceeded toward Zossen on 2 December. T-34 tanks Nos 31, 34 and 35 were seen on a freight train which moved toward Zossen. Two freight trains which were seen moving toward Jueterbog at 4 p.m., included 8 and 12 boxcars respectively which were occupied by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. A train which arrived from the direction of Wittenberg on 5 December consisted of 49 boxcars, each carrying about 36 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets including some with artillery insignia.
- 25X1A * Comment. According to a previous report by the same source, an engineer company moved into the camp on 22 November 1951, apparently coming from Wittenberg. See
- 25X1A ** Comment. the rocket launchers belong to the
- 25X1A unidentified rocket launcher regiment of the Second Gds Mecz Army from Schoenwalde.
- 25X1B The information is confirmed by another source who observed vehicles of 25X1B regiment with a shipment that went from Velten to Jueterbog on 26 November 1951. See
- 25X1A *** Comment. The shipments of troops probably consisted of recruits who arrived for
- 25X1A the components of the 6th Gds Tank Div which are carried in Jueterbog.

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